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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALAN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C.; GIBSON STREET & CO., 31, Chancery Lane, GORDON & GOTCH, 1, Newgate Street, E. C.; DAVIS & CO., 37, Waterton, E. C.; SAWYER, DEACON & CO., 175 & 184, Leadenhall Street.

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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one day.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank is marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 7, 1886. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000

RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000

RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$3,500,000

DEFICIENCY OF PROFIT.....\$7,500,000

FRAUDS.....\$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—Hon. R. D. SASOON,

Deputy Chairman—J. G. GOLDSMITH,

C. D. BOTTOMLEY,

E. H. M. HORTON,

H. L. DALEYMPLE,

Hon. W. KENNICK,

M. GROTE, Esq.

SECRETARY.

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 7, 1886. 754

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. FRANK ERNEST NICHOL to sign our Firm for Procuration.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Hongkong, January 4, 1886. 25

NOTICE.

M. CECIL WILLIAM HOLLIDAY
is Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this date.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1886. 1

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. FRANCISCO MAMEDO GON-
SALVES in the Firm of Messrs. ROZARIO &
CO., CHAMOIS, on the 31st December last.
THE BUSINESS will in future be carried on
by the Under-signed alone, under the
SAME Style as heretofore.

AUGUSTO JOSE DO ROZARIO,
Hongkong, January 1, 1886. 14

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing be-
tween Mr. FRANCISCO MAMEDO GON-
SALVES and Mr. AUGUSTO JOSE DO ROZARIO, as
DO ROZARIO & CO., MERCHANTS, of Hong-
kong, has this Day been DISSOLVED by
Mutual Consent.

Hongkong, December 31, 1885.

NOTICE.

WITH Reference to the above, I have
This Day ESTABLISHED myself at
this place, as MERCHANT, SHIPPER and
COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or
Firm of GONSALVES & CO.

F. M. GONSALVES,
14, Aberdeen Street,
Hongkong, January 1, 1886. 2290

Intimations.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Final
DIVIDEND of FIVE PER CENT. in all upon
Shareholders' Contributions for the year
1884 has now been Declared.

WARRANTS will be Payable at the HONG-
KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION
on and after the 14th Instant.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
ALEX. BOSS,
Secretary.

Shanghai, 8th January, 1886. 121

GRIFFITH'S NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG

NOW READY,
1, DUDDELL STREET.

GRIFFITH & CO., MANUFACTURERS

OF THE LONDON BREWED WATERS,
1, DUDDELL STREET,
Continue to Supply:

SODA WATER, LEMONADE,
TONIC WATER, GINGERADE,
Seltzer, RASPBERRYADE,
SARAPARILLA &c., &c., &c.

At the same Moderate Charge.

Hongkong, June 9, 1886. 957

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO., Chromometre, Watch & Clock Makers, Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

VOGLANDER'S CELEBRATED BINOCULARS and TELESCOPES.

ERIKOFF'S LIQUID and OTHER COMPASSES.

ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS.

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ENGLISH SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE.

CHRISTOFLE & CO.'S ELECTRO-PLATEDWARE.

GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY,

in great variety.

DIA MONDS

AND

DIA MONDS JEWELLERY,

A Splendid Collection of the Latest London

PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Thirty-Ninth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 30th instant, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Account, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 30th instant, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 11, 1886. 78

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

Moderate Fees.

MR. WONG TAI FONG,

Surgeon-Dentist.

(Formerly APOTHECARY AND LATELY ASSISTANT to Dr. ROBERTS.)

At the urgent request of his European

Patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROBERTS,

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address.

2, DUDDELL STREET.

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

GILMAN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1886. 14

CLAIMS ON THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION PURCHASED ON ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS.

H. A. HERBERT,

Messenger.

Hongkong Branch.

Hongkong, July 4, 1885. 1128

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE & Current Rates.

GILMAN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1886. 14

Hongkong, January 12, 1886. 98

Hongkong, July 27, 1886. 1382

Business Notices.

JUST LANDED, A FRESH SUPPLY OF



EDWARD BEART'S CELEBRATED HOME CURED SUFFOLK HAMS, BACON, &c.

POTTED BEEF AND HAM.
PIGS' FEET AND TONGUES.
SALTED FOREHANDS.
LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, December 30, 1885. 2278

Victoria Hotel,

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five miles of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now ONE of the principal Hotels in the place. The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE SERVICE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL. The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and SMOKING ROOMS. The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABEE & HING KEE, Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

15,000 VOLUMES OF CHEAP & LIGHT LITERATURE.

CATALOGUES ON APPLICATION.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, January 4, 1886. 26

ROBERT LANG & CO., QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

Scotch Tweed Suit, \$15.00. While advertising our 'Speci- alities' we also wish to draw the attention of our Customers to our, now, complete Stock of ENGLAND Super-fine Cloth made to our special order, fast in color and suitable to the climate. Of West of England Super-fine Cloth made to our special order

FOR SALE.

MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
HAVE JUST LANDED
THE FOLLOWING

STORES.

YORK HAMS.
STILTON CHEESE.
PUDDING RAISINS (Valencias).
COURRANTS (Patras).
MINGEAT.
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
FIGS.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.
BRAZIL NUTS.
SOFT-SHELL ALMONDS.
METZ FRUITS.
CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.
FRUITS in Syrups.
IMPERIAL PLUMS.
PLUM PUDDINGS.
COSAQUES.

CALIFORNIA PRODUCTS.
CONDENSED MILK.
KEROSENE LAMPS.
FAIRBANK'S SCALES.
COOKING STOVES.
PARLOUR STOVES.

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THE USUAL ASSORTMENT

OF

OILMAN'S STORES,

AND

WINES,

at the

Lowest Possible Prices
FOR CASH.MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & CO.
Hongkong, December 1, 1885. 2084

To Let.

TO LET.

OFFICES and CHAMBERS, No. 7,
Queen's Road, lately occupied by
MESSRS. JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.,
apply to

BIRD & PALMER,
who will exhibit plans and arrange offices
to suit applicants.

Hongkong, April 8, 1886. 597

THE PEAKE.

TO LET

A BUNGALOW (partly FURNISHED),
situated on Mount Kellett. Rent moderate.
Apply to

DENNYS & MOSSOP,
43, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, November 12, 1885. 1971

THE PEAKE.

TO LET

BUNGALOW at Moon's Kellet. Five
ROOMS, TENNIS COURT, &c., &c.
For 1886 or longer if desired.

Apply to

JOHN D. HUTCHISON.

Hongkong, September 17, 1885. 1625

TO LET.

(COLLEGE CHAMBERS) (late Hotel
DE L'UNIVERSITÉ); Single Rooms or
SUITES OF APARTMENTS.
BUSINESS VILLA, POKNOOLM.

Apply to

DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.

Hongkong, December 22, 1885. 2226

THE CHINESE MAIL.

THIS paper is now issued every day.
The subscription is fixed at Four
Dollars per annum delivered in Hong-
kong or Ten Dollars Forty Cents in
including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever
issued under purely native direction. The
chief support of the paper is of course
derived from the native community
among whom also are to be found the
governors and securities necessary to
place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates
upon the most reliable information from
the various Ports in China and Japan
from Australia, Canada, Singapore, Pe-
nang, Saigon, and other places frequented by
the Chinese, consider themselves justified
in guaranteeing a large and ever-increasing
circulation. The advantages offered to ad-
vertisers are therefore unusually great, and
the foreign community generally will find
it to their interest to avail themselves of
them.

The field open to a paper of this descrip-
tion—conducted by native efforts, but
progressive and anti-slaveholding in tone—is
almost limitless. It is on the one hand
commanded Chinese belief and interest,
while on the other it deserves every aid
that can be given to it by foreigners.
Like English journals it contains Editorials,
with Local, Shipping, and Commercial
News and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for the above may be
sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,

China Mail Office.

Entertainment.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL
SOCIETY
intend giving
A CONCERT,
ON
SATURDAY EVENING,
the 20th instant.

PART I.
Soliations from
'THE MAY QUEEN.'

PART II.
MISCELLANEOUS.

Further Particulars will be announced.

ALFRED J. MAY,
Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, January 18, 1886. 114

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

CARONNETTE American ship, Capt. W.
F. Stetson.—Messengers Maritimes.

CEYLON American barque, Captain Ru-
chihong—Wing Chong Kit.

COLORADO American barque, Capt. J. D.
Wynn.—Arnholt, Karberg & Co.

GEORGE British barque, Capt. William
Grant.—Captain.

GREAT EUROPEAN American barque, Capt.
Clas. L. Flinn.—Order.

HELA—American ship, Captain E. A.
Day.—Order.

SOUTHERN CHIEF American ship, Capt.
J. Ross.—Captain.

TAICHOW British steamer, Captain J.
Newton.—Yuen Fat Hong.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 19, 1886.—

NEW PAUL American steamer, 2,112,
E.C. Re-d, San Francisco December 19,
and Yokohama January 13, Mails and
General—O. & O. S. S. Co.

DORIA German steamer, 771, W. Zerrahn,
Touren January 15, Salt—Wielitz & Co.

WENCHOW British steamer, from Whampoa,
Touren January 15, Salt—Wielitz & Co.

CASFOO British steamer, 634, J. Hutchi-
son, Chinkiang January 14, Rice—BURKE &
FIELD & SWIRE.

KWANG LEE Chinese steamer, 1,507,
Andrew, Shanghai Jan. 16, General—O.
M.S.N. Co.

THADES British steamer, 820, T. G. Po-
cock, Taiwanco January 15, Amoy 16, and
Swatow 18, General—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP
Co.

PLATINUM British steamer, 1,014,
Henry Stratton, Bangkok January 12,
General—YUEN FAT HONG.

ALERT American gunboat, 511, Capt. O.
J. Barley, Amoy January 16.

ARNA W. WESTON American barque, 703,
M. N. Duncan, Newcastle (N.S.W.) Nor-
th Coal—GRINNELL, LIVINGSTON & CO.

MORAY British steamer, 1,428, Duncan,
Seignor January 14, Rice—ADAMSON, BELL
& CO.

THE BRITISH STEAMER KWOSHING REPORTS:
Experienced heavy gales from S.W. and
N.W. along the East and South Coast of
Japan until West Van Diemens Straits,
Northwesterly winds and rain across the China
Sea, moderate monsoon and fine weather
through Formosa Channel and into port
January 9th, in lat. 29° 58' N. long. 145°
41' E. spoke British barque Nansino, 24
days out of Hongkong, for Victoria, B.C.
The British steamer KWOSHING reports:

Fresh variable from N. to N.E.

The British steamer CHENG reports:

Had moderate Northwesterly winds and fine weather
throughout.

The British steamer THADES reports:

Experienced moderate N.E. wind and fine
weather throughout. In Taiwanco, H.B.S.

Firebrand in Amoy, 3 Chinese gunboats
and 1 British gunboat. In Swatow, 1 British
gunboat, 1 Mongolian, 1 Danube, 1 Foochow
and 1 Tsching.

MONDAY, January 25.—
Goods per Borneo undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, January 26.—
Goods per Ganges undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

DEPARTURES.

January 19—
Cruiser, for Haiphong.
Tantallon, for Nagasaki.
Stratford, for Kutchiopotz.
Hailong, for Swatow.
Quarta, for Saigon.
Daring, British gunboat, for a cruise.
Chesao, for Whampoa.
Kowloon, for Whampoa.
Kuung Lee, for Whampoa.
Cathy, for Europe.
Wenchow, for Swatow and Amoy.
Ningpo, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Actis, for Haiphong.
Harmonia, for Rangoon.
Platinum, for Nagasaki.
Fei-tsing, for Port Darwin and Sydney.
Greyhound, for Hoilow and Pakhoi.
Oscap, for Shanghai.
Athel, for Amoy.
Dubug, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

ABRAHAM.
Per Doris, from Teuron, 1 European,
and 9 Chinese.

Per Kwoshing, from Shanghai, Messrs
Hoyn, Mayer, D'Amico, and 24 Chinese.

Per Thales, from Coast Ports, Capt.
Henderson, Miss Piardoff, and 143 Chinese.

Per Phe Chow Kao, from Bangkok, Mr
Stannard, and 99 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Crusader, for Haiphong, Messrs Mul-
ler, E. Clarke, Hudnut, Capt. Hung, Messrs
Julie Guillaume, D. McCulloch, Gadge,
Capt. Rose, and 40 Chinese.

Per Cathay, from Hongkong: for Singa-
pore, Miss M. Fenton, Mrs. de Silva, Mr.
Mr. Robiere, and Paymaster J. B. Cro-
wder, for Malacca; for Ponan, Mr. Koh Ching
Keat; for Colombo, Mr. Schulz; for Bon-
gai, Mr. C. D. Gothic; for London, Rev. Mr.
and Mrs. Lloyd, 3 children, infant and anna-
hah, Capt. F. P. Douglass, R.N., and servant
Commander Anson Schomberg, R.N., and
servant.

Per Railong, for Swatow, 100 Chinese.
Per Quarta, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.
Per Ningpo, for Shanghai, 12 Chinese.
Per Wenchow, for Swatow, &c., 1 Euro-
pean.

Per Glaucus, for Shanghai, Mr and Mrs
S. Dobson, Mr. A. G. Wilday.

TO DEPART.

Per Actis, for Haiphong, 80 Chinese.
Per Fei-tsing, for Sydney, &c., Mr. Cee
Woo, 18 Europeans, and 63 Chinese in steer-
age.

Per Greyhound, for Hoilow, &c., 30 Chi-
nese.

Per Dubug, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.

Per Tschow, for Yokocho, from Hong-
kong, Mr. Harold Bloch; from London,
Mr. Webster, from Brindisi, Mr. James
Wencho, British steamer, from Whampoa,
Touren January 15, Salt—Wielitz & Co.

Rambler, British gunboat, from a cruise.
Kowshing, British steamer, 1,245, Bal-
born, Shanghai January 16, General—
JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

Arresta, British gunboat, from a cruise.
Kwong, British gunboat, from a cruise.

Per Argo, from Whampoa, 100 Chinese.

A CASE OF VERY Sudden death occurred at Yokohama on the 11th instant. An old resident, Mr. H. Bouvet, got suddenly excited over the transaction of some business, and died from the effects. A post mortem was held, when it was found that death had resulted from aneurism of the heart.

The *Shanghai Courier*, Chongming correspondent, writes under date of the 20th December that a foreign resident, Mr. H. Kuffler, forwarded on the 17th of December the following telegram per Imperial Chinese Telegraph office at that port—
Kleinwort, Kobe. Existed Domine Glore Envoi, and received on the 19th December the following service telegram in reply—
'Agaquasi 13/12. Nagasaki-Chemulpo. Japan's administration refuse to forward your six words Kleinwort, Kobe?' What does it mean? Are the Japanese afraid of the word 'Envoi'? Or is it simply to discourage the use of the Chinese telegraph line? Perhaps our Japanese contemporaries are able to answer these questions. We understand that the Japanese Consul in Chemulpo has ordered his nationals not to use the Chinese telegraph line.

A NAVAL Court of Enquiry was held at Shanghai on the 13th instant, into the loss of the British ship *Tekla* in the Wenchow River on the 2nd instant. The Court was composed of—Mr. Chaloner Alabaster, British Acting Consul General (President); Captain R. Downey, master of the British brig *Pelliam*; and Captain H. W. Brown, master of the British ship *Wylde*, as Assessor. After hearing evidence, the Court delivered the following finding:—

(1)—It appears from the evidence before the Court that the *Tekla*, a sailing ship of 300 tons registered tonnage, belonging to the Port of Singapore, official number 33,577, built at Harburgh in 1865, sailed from Wenchow on or about the 30th day of December, bound for Hongkong, with a cargo of alum, red-stones and medicines, and a crew of 17 all told; that while dropping down the Wenchow River on the 2nd day of January she stranded on a sandbank, and settling down at the stern became a total wreck, the lives of officers and crew being saved, and the majority of their effects being saved, and some portion of the cargo; that the weather was calm at the time; that the lead was being used by the master in person, who was navigating the ship himself; that the chart No. 1,763 appears to be incorrect, and the master, therefore, in the absence of a qualified pilot, was forced to feel his way; that the Court sees no ground for blaming the conduct of the master or crew on the

AMOY RACES, 1886.
(*Amoy Gazette*.)

THIRD DAY.

Wednesday, 13th January. Value

1.—LEDGER CUR.—Presented.	Value
9...14 miles.	
Outlaw, 1st.	
Pedometer, 2nd.	
Knight Templar, 3rd.	
2.—FORRESTER CUR.—Presented.	Value
9...11 miles.	
Sot Free, 1st.	
Talisman, 2nd.	
3.—LADIES' PURSES—Presented. Once round and a distance.	
Wild Rose, 1st.	
Kinsman, 2nd.	
4.—STAND STAKES.—Of \$10 each with \$50 added. 1 mile.	
Talisman, 1st.	
Clarionet, 2nd.	
Great Scott, 3rd.	
5.—CONSOLIDATION CUR.—Value \$100. 1 mile.	
Hornpipe, 1st.	
Saxon, 2nd.	
Whiteshield, 3rd.	
6.—CHAMPION STAKES.—1½ miles.	
Torpedo, 1st.	
Outlaw, 2nd.	
Wild Rose,	

Police Intelligence.

(Before N. G. Mitchell-Jones, Esq.)

Tuesday, Jan. 19.

U.S. COOK, cook, of 56 Queen's Road West, was convicted, on the evidence of Inspector Bremner and an informer, of keeping an agency for the sale of tea-for-lottery tickets, and was fined \$50, or two months' hard labour.

MOUNTAIN THIEVES DEALT WITH.

Paris, December 15th.—General De Courcy, commander of the French forces in Tonquin, telegraphed to the War Office to-day that General De Negre had cleared the Marble Mountains north of Haiphong of Black Flags and pirates, capturing a number of fortified caverns and a large quantity of arms and ammunition. One cavern was desperately defended and fully 100 pirates were killed before it could be taken. Numerous war-junks were sunk between the rapids and the Bamboo canals. The country has been pacified.

SPKERS OF THE COMMONS.

London, December 15th.—The Government will retain Mr. Peel as Speaker of the House of Commons.

FOPE LEO III.

London, December 15th.—It is reported that the Pope is ill.

THE PALGHAYA, 42 GUERNSEY.

London, December 15th.—The British ship *Palghaya*, Captain Thomas, which sailed from Cardiff, November 30th, for San Francisco, (previously reported as spoken disabled), has arrived at Queenstown. Two men and nine masts are gone. Two of her seamen were killed and five others badly injured.

LAWCENY.

Wong Afuk, unemployed, was convicted of stealing a parasol, value \$20, the property of the Government, from the Shan Shui Po Dock at Kowloon on the 7th inst., and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

(Before A. G. Wise, Esq.)

ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP MONEY.

The Atong, unemployed, was charged with assaulting a seaman named Chu Au, the 17th inst. at Kai-fau.

Complainant's statement was to the effect that he was a seaman belonging to the Hop junk at Kai-fau. At 8 a.m. on the 17th inst., the prisoner and four or five other men came on board his junk and demanded \$10, saying that if they attempted to leave the junk they would beat him. Complainant's brother, who was owner of the junk, refused to pay the money and then they went away. Complainant and his brother then went ashore and met the defendant and the others in the street. The men attacked complainant and his brother and beat them. The brother telephoned the Police and defendant was arrested the others escaping.

Nu Fung, the brother of complainant, corroborated his statement, and Wong Yu,

P.C. 101, gave evidence as to seeing the prisoner and others beating the complainant. He arrested the prisoner.

Prisoner was sentenced to four months' hard labour for demanding money with threats and two months' hard labour for the assault, to commence at the expiration of the first term.

Marine Magistrate's Court.

(Before Com. R. Murray Runney, R.N., Acting Harbour Master.)

Tuesday, Jan. 19.

DRIVE AND ENJOYMENT ON BOARD SHIP.

Frederick Piles and Carl Johnson, seamen on board the American ship *Helen*, were charged by Captain Howes, master of the *Helen*, with being drunk and disorderly on board ship and assaulting the second officer, on the 19th inst.

The evidence of Capt. Howes, second mate of the *Helen*, was to the effect that the first defendant Piles, returned on board yesterday the worse for liquor, and soon afterwards came up and reported himself ready to turn to. He was allowed to turn to but was soon seen that he was not fit to work and told him to go away, whereupon he made use of abusive language and threatened to strike witness. The other defendant Johnson also used abusive language and was under the influence of liquor but not so much as first defendant.

First defendant, who denied threatening the second mate, was fined \$2, and second defendant \$1; to be paid by the master and deducted from their wages.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The Occidental and Oriental Co.'s steamer *San Pablo*, Captain E. C. Reed, arrived here this morning from San Francisco, with date from the United States up to the 19th December, and Yokohama. From our exchanges, we take the following telegrams:—

A NEW SHIP CANAL.

Berlin, December 10th.—The Bundesrat has unanimously approved the bill for the construction of the long-sought-of ship canal between the Baltic, the Elbe and the North Sea. The canal will cost ultimately about 156,000,000 marks. It is to be strongly fortified and will have great military as well as commercial value. In the year 1873 Count Von Molko opposed the project on the ground that it would be better to invest the money required for the construction of the canal in increasing the Imperial fleet, but now that the plan for founding the navy has been carried out, the Field Marshal has come round to the views expressed in that plan. The defense of the coasts of Germany must always remain a divided task so long as a canal does not unite the Baltic with the German Ocean and enable German vessels to pass from one sea to another by a route which does not expose them to the dangers of falling into foreign hands. The project is to be started as soon as possible, and will be remanded to await examination. It appears that the prisoners had written two letters, but as they were not read in Court, it is impossible to give their exact language or state, except in general terms, what they contained. It is known, however, that the letters made a demand for £760, and intimated in unmistakable terms that unless the amount was forthcoming the Princess' life would be in jeopardy. The Prince, it is said, paid only parting attention to the first letter, and the

MAGNETIC EARTH'S SKELETON.

New York, December 10th.—The Sun's London cable of December 9th says—

"Patrick Foley, the new Nationalist member of the House for the Connemara division of Galway, is in a serious scrape.

He was nominated after a rather turbulent scene in the Galway Convention, but he was elected without opposition. Loyalists knew that it would be useless for them to contest Connemara. Now he is paying the penalty for his sudden greatness. For some years a very unfortunate woman has been kept as a prisoner in the Poorhouse of Wandsworth, a suburb of London. She was not only a pauper, but she was also wretched and had occasional outbreaks of violent insanity. She was known by the name of Foley, but all efforts to trace her connections have hitherto been fruitless.

Foley has now prepared to hand over a package containing the money they demanded. The woman at once fell into the trap which had been set for them. They appeared at the spot designated this morning, and were presented with a package of fathoms. As they started to leave with the supposed treasure the police threw off the disguise and arrested them. The woman thereupon made a voluntary confession of the whole plot. At any rate, the police say the confession was voluntary. The woman, however, has since declared that she was forced by the police against her will to confess something. It is thought that she fears the confession made by her in the first moments of consternation after her arrest may be used against her on trial, and that she therefore is trying to weaken its effect by asserting that it was forced from her by the police.

A REPRESENTATIVE OF AMERICAN MEAT.

Paris, December 14th.—The agricultural group in the Chamber of Deputies have resolved to oppose the importation of American salt meat in the interest alike of sanitation and of French husbandry.

THE MASSACRE OF CHRISTIANS IN COCHIN.

Rome, December 15th.—The College of the Propaganda announce that up to November 1st, in the Vicariate of Cochinchina, nine missionaries, seven native priests, sixty catechists, 270 members of religious orders and 24,000 Christians were massacred. Two hundred parishes, 17 orphan asylums and 10 convents were destroyed, and 255 churches were burned.

AN IRISH ELOPEMENT.

New York, December 15th.—A cable special to-day says—

"SOCIETY OF CLEVELAND'S MESSAGE IN MEXICO."

Mexico, December 15th.—President O'Donnell's message has caused a decline in the two companies of the Quebec County Battalion have been ordered to the Citadel in accordance with instructions from Ottawa, and it is the intention of the Government to increase the garrison there to 400 men for some time.

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MOUNTAIN THIEVES DEALT WITH.

Paris, December 15th.—General De Courcy, commander of the French forces in Tonquin, telegraphed to the War Office to-day that General De Negre had cleared the Marble Mountains north of Haiphong of Black Flags and pirates, capturing a number of fortified caverns and a large quantity of arms and ammunition. One cavern was desperately defended and fully 100 pirates were killed before it could be taken. Numerous war-junks were sunk between the rapids and the Bamboo canals. The country has been pacified.

SPKERS OF THE COMMONS.

London, December 15th.—The Government will retain Mr. Peel as Speaker of the House of Commons.

FOPE LEO III.

London, December 15th.—It is reported that the Pope is ill.

THE PALGHAYA, 42 GUERNSEY.

London, December 15th.—The British ship *Palghaya*, Captain Thomas, which sailed from Cardiff, November 30th, for San Francisco, (previously reported as spoken disabled), has arrived at Queenstown. Two men and nine masts are gone. Two of her seamen were killed and five others badly injured.

LAWCENY.

Wong Afuk, unemployed, was convicted of stealing a parasol, value \$20, the property of the Government, from the Shan Shui Po Dock at Kowloon on the 7th inst., and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

(Before A. G. Wise, Esq.)

ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP MONEY.

The Atong, unemployed, was charged with assaulting a seaman named Chu Au, the 17th inst. at Kai-fau.

Complainant's statement was to the effect that he was a seaman belonging to the Hop junk at Kai-fau. At 8 a.m. on the 17th inst., the prisoner and four or five other men came on board his junk and demanded \$10, saying that if they attempted to leave the junk they would beat him. Complainant's brother, who was owner of the junk, refused to pay the money and then they went away. Complainant and his brother then went ashore and met the defendant and the others in the street. The men attacked complainant and his brother and beat them. The brother telephoned the Police and defendant was arrested the others escaping.

Nu Fung, the brother of complainant, corroborated his statement, and Wong Yu,

pump and ceremony. The Pope was present. Thirty-two guests attended a banquet given by Cardinal Jacobini in honor of the event.

LIMED DIVERTED ISLAND GROUPS.

London, December 15th.—The Carolines group lies to the limits of the Polow and Caroline groups on the south, the eleventh degree of latitude on the north and the 130th and 134th degrees of longitude on the east and west, respectively.

TO GROW OUR CHINESE.

London, December 15th.—General Von Low, in returning thanks at the military banquet today said:—The Rhenish and Westphalian corps, as heretofore, will prove their brotherhood in arms, if we shall be obliged to face the enemy, as well may happen. The speech has caused a sensation.

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A MURDERER REPENTANT.

Rome, December 10th.—Several hundred cigar-makers leave San Francisco within the next few weeks, and start at the same time from other Eastern cities, to display the Chinese cigar-makers in the San Francisco factories. Wolf President of the San Francisco branch of the International Cigar-makers Union and Von Gulpen, whose several here, have already mentioned in these dispatches, are experimenting in the movement of the first detachment of thirty, which will leave to-day, December 16th, and will travel in a steamer attached to the fast Chicago express. The officials will meet them at Utica and various other cities.

CHICAGO, December 15th.—The Secretary of State, Mr. T. C. Connelly, has issued a circular to the American Consuls in China, instructing them to do their best to prevent the Chinese cigar-makers from leaving San Francisco.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Rome, December 10th.—The trial commenced here to-day of a butcher named Teozzi, and his wife, son and daughter, who are charged with the murder of one Poggi, also a butcher. The motive of the crime was trade jealousy and family disputes. Poggi was entrapped in Teozzi's cellar, where the murderer was committed. The body of the victim was cut into pieces and the remains were scattered in a suburban wood. The blood was boiled in black puddings, which were sold in Teozzi's shop. He made a confession to-day. He narrated his story in Court with the aid of his lawyer, Mr. O'Connor, who had been retained by the defense. The murderer taunted the court, "I am here to meet you to the gallows." The trial was suspended to-morrow.

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Rome, December 10th.—The trial con-

tinued. Mexico guarantees the payment of \$1,250,000 a year for fifteen years, provided that the United States or some European nation will guarantee \$2,500,000 more for the same period. The time for completing the road has been extended to 1894.

